

UTAH TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

January 17, 2014
Salt Lake City, Utah

The regular meeting of the Utah Transportation Commission was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Chairman Jeffrey D. Holt, at the UDOT Rampton Complex – 1st Floor Njord Conference Room, 4501 South 2700 West, Salt Lake City, Utah. The following Commissioners, staff members and others were in attendance:

Jeffrey D. Holt, Chairman	Joe Kammerer, Region Two
J. Kent Millington, Vice-Chairman	Teri Newell, Region Three Director
Wayne K. Barlow, Commissioner	Rick Torgerson, Region Four Director
Meghan Z. Holbrook, Commissioner	Ivan Marrero, FHWA
Dannie R. McConkie, Commissioner	Arlene Kocher, FHWA
Naghi Zeenati, Commissioner	Ben Wuthrich, WFRC
LeAnn G. Abegglen, Commission Secretary	Andrew Jackson, MAG
Carlos Braceras, Executive Director	Larry Ellertson, Utah County Commission
Shane Marshall, Deputy Director	Matt Lund, GOMB
Cory Pope, Program Development Director	Pete Marshall, HNTB
Bill Lawrence, Program Development	Steve Snelgrove, URS
Bob Pelly, Program Development	Travis Colledge, Avenue Consultants
Jeff Harris, Program Development	Richard Miller, Parsons
Linda Hull, Director of Policy and Legis. Services	Norm Avery, Knife River
Jason Davis, Engineer for Operations	Floyd Scurry, Cobb Fendley
Randy Park, Project Development Director	Leon Harward, Utah Xing
Nile Easton, Director of Communications	Todd Jensen, HNTB
John Gleason, Community Relations	Brett Hadley, Stanley Consultants
Becky Bradshaw, Finance Director	Justin Smart, PPBH
Chad Sheppick, Motor Carriers Director	Helen Peters, J-U-B
Rob Wight, Engineer for Const. and Materials	Ed Cooper, Ash Grove Cement
Lyle McMillan, Right of Way Director	Andrew Gemperline, Avenue Consultants
Travis Daley, Right of Way	Karl Verhaeren, Parsons Brinckerhoff
Kris Peterson, Region One Director	Tyler Robirds, Lochner
Nathan Lee, Region Two Director	Frank J. Verucchi, Jr., Meridian Engineering
Dave Schwartz, Region Two	Rebecca Cruz, UTA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Barlow moved to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2013, Commission meeting. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commission and UDOT staff introductions were made. There were no public comments. Chairman Holt made brief comments on the TRB meetings he attended this week in Washington D.C.

PROVO WEST SIDE CONNECTOR AND AIRPORT UPDATE

Chairman Holt moved this item up on the agenda. Mayor John Curtis from Provo City expressed appreciation for all that has been done in Utah County and on I-15. He stated that they have not been vocal enough about what they are doing with their airport and then turned the time over to Steve Gleason, Provo Airport Manager, for a presentation on the Provo Airport. Mr. Gleason gave an overview of the Provo Airport Market Data and the Provo Catchment Area, and talked about airport facilities and Allegiant Airlines, who operate flights to Mesa, Oakland, and Los Angeles. He also talked about the economic impact of air service, their master plan, and where they are going from here, which includes runway reconstruction, continued airline recruitment, the West Side Connector, new terminal and commercial ramp, and Duncan Aviation campus and ramp. Mayor Curtis noted that Provo and Utah County use this as a quality of life issue, and the long term vision for the airport is to never lose being a convenient airport for regional destinations. There was additional discussion regarding safety issues and other impacts. Chairman Holt commented on the fact that the aviation piece is not in the integrated transportation plan.

Mayor Curtis gave a brief overview of the Provo West Side Connector, which is on their master plan to come to the airport, but it crosses through some environmentally difficult areas. He said it was one of 14 projects that President Obama selected to move forward with help on the environmental process. The project also received funding from the I-15 Core project to help move this project forward. He noted that it would be going out to bid in the next few weeks. The mayor emphasized the importance of the roadway and stated it's a huge quality of life issue.

UDOT SCOREBOARD

Randy Park, Project Development Director, gave the report on the Construction program, and Jason Davis, Engineer for Operations, gave the report for the Safety program. There was additional discussion regarding seat belt usage and other safety issues.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION PREVIEW

Linda Hull, Director of Policy and Legislative Services, gave a preview of the upcoming legislative session, which will run from January 27 through March 13. Some of the topics she discussed were state, local and transit funding needs, seat belt usage, air quality, and the budget. UDOT legislation mentioned was a DUI bill, a bill regarding sponsorship opportunities, and a procurement bill.

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

2014 STIP Amendment #4

Funding Adjustments - At Award and Post Construction

Bill Lawrence, Program Finance Director, reviewed the first table with one project returning funds at award. He then reviewed the second table with seven projects returning funds at post construction. He requested approval to transfer the funding to be reprogrammed at a later date.

Commissioner Zeenati moved to approve the transfer of funding for the adjustments at award and post construction, as reviewed. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Region Three TAP Funds

Bill Lawrence said Region Three is requesting to program their 2014 TAP funds on two projects. The first project is SR-28; MP 29.33 to MP 30.12, in Levan. The amount of TAP funds to be added to the project is \$338,000, with Levan contributing \$22,882. The second project is Wasatch County Railroad Trail Project in Wasatch County. There will be \$137,000 of TAP funds added to the project, with the Wasatch Trails Alliance contributing \$9,247. Mr. Lawrence reviewed the maps of the two projects and requested approval to program the TAP funds as explained.

Commissioner Millington moved to approve adding \$338,000 of Region Three TAP funds to the SR-28; MP 29.33 to MP 30.12 project, and \$137,000 of Region Three TAP funds to the Wasatch County Railroad Trail project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barlow and unanimously approved.

Region Four Pavement Rehabilitation Project – New Project

Bill Lawrence said Region Four would like to fund a new Purple Book project, I-70; MP 36 to MP 48.949, with \$930,000 of Interstate Maintenance funds. Mr. Lawrence referred to the project location map and the rehabilitation projects list that shows the new project listed and requested approval to add the new project to the Rehabilitation Program.

Commissioner Zeenati moved to approve the addition of the I-70; MP 36 to MP 48.949 project to the Rehabilitation Program, as requested. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

UDOT PROPERTY EXCHANGE **DAI Utah – Mountain View Corridor**

Lyle McMillan explained that he is requesting approval to exchange approximately 151 acres of property just north of SR-73 on the Mountain View Corridor (MVC) project, with Collins Brothers Oil Company, who owns the property. It's two and a quarter miles of corridor they would like to preserve for the future MVC. The property owners came to UDOT and proposed an exchange. Surplus properties have been identified in Utah, Salt Lake, and Davis Counties that are currently being appraised. The value of the Collins Brothers property is \$8.9 million. They would like to request approval to do a value for value exchange for the \$8.9 million property needed for the MVC. Mr. McMillan reviewed the maps of each of the proposed surplus properties being considered as part of the exchange. Chairman Holt stated that this is a win-win situation for everyone.

Commissioner Barlow moved to approve of the property exchange with DAI Utah/Collins Brothers Oil Company, as explained. Commissioner Millington seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS, CONDITIONS AND NEEDS REPORT

Motor Carriers

Chad Sheppick, Director of Motor Carriers, gave a PowerPoint presentation on their Division's mission, Port of Entry activities, safety activities, outreach events, two truck activities, new technologies, and future activities.

Public Outreach

Nile Easton, Communications Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation on Communications' public outreach efforts. His presentation included information on the results of statewide quantitative and qualitative research done in November and December of 2013, and a media audience update on what's happening in TV, social media, radio, print, and online.

BEHAVIOR BASED SAFETY UPDATE

Rob Wight, Engineer for Construction and Safety, gave an update on Behavior Based Safety (BBS). He discussed what Behavior Based Safety is and why they are choosing to implement BBS, what UDOT's goals are for BBS, and their plan to implement it. Director Braceras noted that this is for information only today, but mentioned that they would possibly come back to the Commission at a later date to fund this program, if the Commission supports UDOT going in this direction.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FHWA Report

Arlene Kocher from FHWA gave a quick report and then introduced Ivan Marrero as the new Utah Division Administrator. Mr. Marrero introduced himself and said he's looking forward to working in Utah and with UDOT.

Kris Peterson, Region One Director, updated the Commission on the status of the park and ride lot on US-89 and noted that they would be requesting action on it at next month's meeting.

Commission Committee Reports

Commissioner McConkie reported on the Regional Growth Committee, Chairman Holt briefly reported on CIB, and Commissioner Zeenati said the ribbon cutting for the Southern Parkway was held on January 8.

Upcoming Transportation Commission Meetings

The next regular Utah Transportation Commission meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 14, 2014, in Salt Lake City, Utah. The following meeting dates have been scheduled:

March 20-21, 2014 – Santa Clara
April 17-18, 2014 – Salt Lake City
May 15-16, 2014 – Monticello
June 12-13, 2014 – Roosevelt

July 2014 – No meetings scheduled
August 14-15, 2014 – Lehi
September 11-12, 2014 – Salt Lake City
October 9-10, 2014 – Bountiful
November 13-14, 2014 – Price
December 5, 2014 – Salt Lake City

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

LeAnn Abegglen, Commission Secretary